



**Welcome to St. Peter's**  
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**PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:**

**We pray for;**

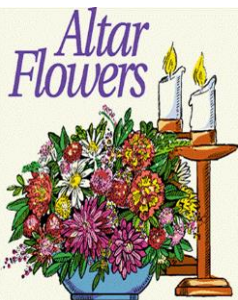
Our Archdeacon Pete Spiers and his family.

**Baptism;** Arley Pettican being baptized today.

**For the residents of;** Victoria Road, Red Barns, Mayfield Court.

**For the sick;** Barbara, Colin, David, Gwyneth, Joyce, Kate, Malcolm, Margaret, Trevor those in hospital and our parishioners who are housebound or living in Care Homes

**For the recently departed;** Ron Daniels, Ann Spiers, Jim Dixon, Jean Maybury, Helen Atherton and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time.



Altar flowers are sponsored by Anne Teasedale in loving memory of her husband John Teasedale.

**Parish of St Peter, Formby**  
**2nd Sunday of Epiphany**  
**15<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

**Service for Today:**

**8.30am Eucharist (BCP)**

**10.00am Parish Eucharist & Sunday Club**

*This service will be live streamed*

**Prelude:** Yon Pastorale 'Gesù Bambino'

**Gathering**

**96** Brightest and best of the sons of the morning

**Gradual**

**387** Rise and hear! The Lord is speaking

**Offertory**

**679** In Christ there is no east or west

**Motet:** Walmisley From all that dwell below the skies

Tavener *The Lamb*

**Post Communion**

**603** Bright the vision that delighted

**Organ:** Sumsion *Prelude on 'The holly and the ivy'*

**12.00noon Baptism of Arley Pettican**

**6.30pm Choral Evensong**

**Prelude:** Schulz-Widmar *Prelude on Sussex Carol*

**Introit:** Stanford *O for a closer walk with God*

**Hymns:**

**99** omit vs 5 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

**602** Blest are the pure in heart

**22** Saviour, again to thy dear name we raise

**Psalm 96, page 251**

**Choir Anthem:** Wood *Never weather-beaten sail*

**Readings:** Ezekiel 2:1 – 3:4 / Galatians 1:11-24

**Readers:** Andrew Kellaway and Ken Ward

**Voluntary:** Bach *Fantasia on 'In dulci jubilo'*

**December/January Parish Magazines are available.**  
**Children's Puzzle Sheets, books and activity bags are available**  
**Please help yourself or ask the welcome team for help.**



## **The Collect;**

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Word;**

### **Epistle Reading;                    I Corinthians 1:1-9**

*Our reading today is read by;*

**Herbert Blundell**

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Gospel Reading;                    John 1:29-42**

**Tricia Shaw**

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.' The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

**Post Communion Prayer**

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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**Donations via Card Machine, Yellow Envelopes or on the Plate**

For card payments, a contactless card-reader is situated near the main door.

For cash donations, there is a plate near the main door.

**If you are a taxpayer**, please use a yellow envelope and complete the Gift Aid declaration. (This increases the value of your donation by 25%). Thank you for your gifts.

**Volunteers for the Church Cleaning Rota**

We are desperate for additional people to join our cleaning rota, as a few people have had to step down this year. Would you be able to give up an hour of your time a month to help clean our church? Please contact Caroline in the Parish Office on 871171. Many thanks.

**THE FOODBANK** The Church Porch is open everyday from 10am to 4pm for donations. The items particularly needed are: coffee, jam, crackers, UHT milk, tinned fruit, tinned meat, cereal, toilet rolls (4 packs), laundry tabs (small packs), shampoo, deodorant, nappies (size 5), razors and toothbrushes. Many thanks.

**DIARY FOR THIS WEEK**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January**

9.00am Morning Prayer Bier House

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>**

9.00am Morning Prayer Bier House

10.00am Bible Study with Ken Ward Bier House

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>**

11.00am Eucharist followed by refreshments Church

7.30pm Primetime Women's Group O.S.R

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>**

9.00am Morning Prayer Bier House

2.00pm Singing's Good for Your Brain! (see notice) Church Hall

3.00pm Funeral of Jim Dixon Southport Crematorium

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup>**

9.15am Little Fishes for pre-school children Church Hall

2.30pm Interment of Simon Marsh's Ashes G.O.R

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>**

9.00am Morning Prayer Bier House

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany**

8.30am Eucharist (CW) Church

10.00am All Age Parade Service followed by refreshments Church

6.30pm Service of Wholeness Church

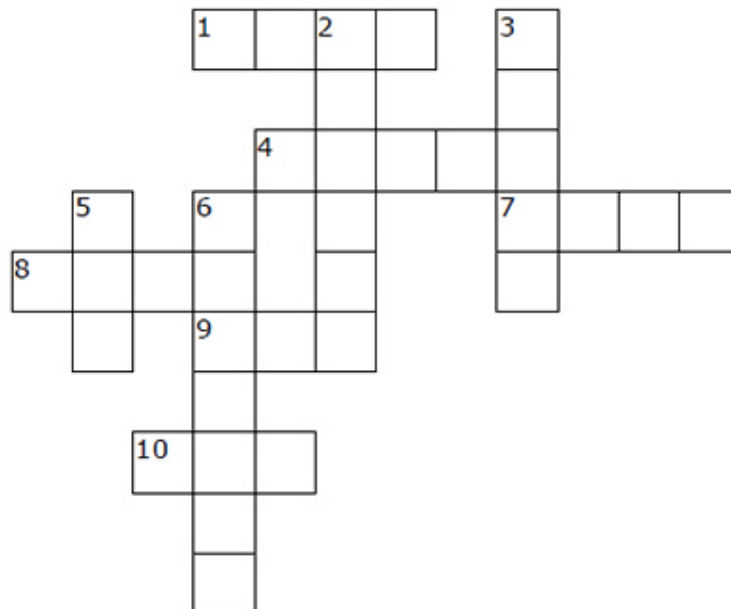


**Singing's Good For the Brain** - Join Maggie and Mandy on the 3rd Thursday of every month in the Church Hall from January. Meet at 2pm, finish approx 3.30pm. Light-hearted singing suitable for everyone, with refreshments in a warm space. Everyone welcome, no special skills required, so please join us on every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month.

**Daily Bible Readings** - Have you thought about daily Bible reading? If you are interested, please see Marilyn Siddons-Smith (01704 576164) for information about regular Bible reading and BRF's Bible reading notes.

**Whitechapel Centre - Advent Collection** We are pleased to announce that £1,158.88 was raised from our Advent collection. The Whitechapel Centre is the leading homeless and housing charity for the Liverpool region. They work with people who are sleeping rough, living in hostels or struggling to manage their accommodation. Thank you.

## Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

1. The man who baptized Jesus
4. A clear, colorless, odorless, and tasteless liquid; H<sub>2</sub>O
7. A young sheep
8. A bird that is a symbol of peace
9. A male descendant
10. To break one of God's commands

### DOWN

2. The place where God is
3. The earth and everything on it
5. The creator of heaven and earth
6. To make a statement based on personal knowledge

SIN	HEAVEN	LAMB	JOHN	WATER
GOD	DOVE	TESTIFY	WORLD	SON